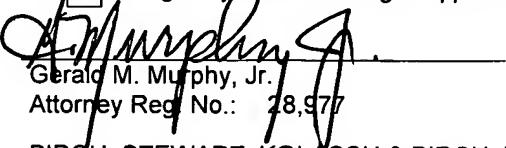




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Invention: METHOD OF PRODUCING CHONDROCYTES FOR TRANSPLANTATION					
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated November 5, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin at page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.